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SUBJECT: Trip Report -- April 22, 1983

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Russ Wilder - GCA Julie Klauss - WH-547-E

Discussion: Most of the day was spent with Russ Wilder discussing the objectives of the GCA contract and the time line for future work. Regarding the previous work conducted by GCA, Russ will send me a status report as soon as possible. Braun Engineering has been slow in submitting contract deliverables. Wilder will also provide comments to me from Nick Pannagio regarding the practicability and difficulties of using the extraction procedures prescribed in the GCA analytical contract. No new analysis or reanalysis of the frozen samples will occur at this time. The samples will remain stored and frozen until further notice.

I will request a review of the extraction procedure by Denis Forest of the EPA EMSL. I am also evaluating the utility of the information gathered through the analytical contract and will discuss its use with Marc Hult of the USGS.

Mike Kasakowski underscored the direction that David Hird of the DOJ provides for the objectives to be accomplished through the GCA Contract. Mike also stated that the contracts with GCA and with Capsule Labs do not have a conflict of interest clause within them. This allows GCA and Capsule to compete for Minnesota-lead contracts involving remedial action at the Reilly Tar site. Mike suggested that EPA meet with GCA, Capsule, DOJ, and MPCA as soon as the Capsule Labs is brought on to the project, which should be within weeks. GCA should, at that time, submit results of their work performed on uncontaminated peat to Brenda Kimble. She will analyze the procedures and results and determine whether they are applicable to the work she will perform at the site. Similarly, we should discuss, at a meeting, the necessary logistics and coordination between Kimble, Capsule and GCA in drilling three wells on the site.

Mike Kasakowski mentioned that a demand letter to Reilly Tar may be necessary before the Record of Decision is finalized regarding treatment of the Prairie du Chien aquifer.

Julie Klauss stated that a written justification to extend the project period for GCA should be sent by me to the Office of Research and Development, Research Triangle Park. A small amount of funds may be available if a budget increase is determined necessary.

I am to determine the scheduling with the MPCA to compile all logs at the site before GCA begins more drilling. The log compilation will aid GCA and the State in determining the location of the next 11 wells. Therefore, the MPCA is the critical link in the chain of events that must occur to accomplish the overall objectives. I will also discuss sampling protocol with Marc Hult of the USGS before further analysis occurs. I expect to have a schedule for remaining work at the site by May 9, 1983.

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